

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 828

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A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Mr. Mike Reed upon his induction into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those citizens who, through unwavering dedication and unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves as educators, administrators, and coaches of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Mike Reed, who has devoted many years to the education and instruction of young students and athletes; in March 2006, Mr. Reed will be inducted into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Hall of Fame, a most befitting recognition of his outstanding service to Tennessee schools and athletics; and

WHEREAS, a 1961 graduate of South Fulton High School, Mike Reed attended the University of Tennessee and received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1966, and he graduated from Union College with his Master of Arts degree in 1974; he also completed his Masters-Plus 45 at East Tennessee State University in 1976; and

WHEREAS, an estimable educator and exemplary administrator, Mr. Reed taught biology at Bulls Gap High School and general science at Morristown Hamblen High School West; he also was Assistant Principal at Bulls Gap Elementary, Lincoln Heights Middle School from 1983-1985, and Morristown-Hamblen High School West from 1985-1993, and served as Principal at Morristown-Hamblen High School West from 1993-2005; and

WHEREAS, committing countless hours to the youth of Tennessee over the years, Mr. Reed served as, Assistant Coach and later Head Coach of Boy's Basketball at Bulls Gap High School, Assistant Boy's Basketball Coach and Head Coach of Girls' Basketball at Morristown

Hamblen High School West, and Assistant Coach of Football at Lincoln Heights Middle School; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his duties as an administrator, Mike Reed found time to serve admirably as a member of the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the Tennessee Education Association, the National Education Association, the Hawkins County Education Association, the Hamblen County Education Association, the Hamblen County School System Curriculum Committee, the Hamblen County School System Policy Committee, and the Hamblen County School System Technology Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Reed also served as the Coordinator for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools at Morristown-Hamblen High School West, the Athletic Director at Morristown-Hamblen High School West, and the District and Regional Basketball Tournament Director for 2A and 3A schools; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Mike Reed was elected to seven terms on the TSSAA Board of Control and served as Vice President of the Board of Control from 1992-1995; he received the 1999-2000 A. F. Bridges Sportsmanship Award for Principal of the Year – First Athletic District, and was selected by the Hamblen County Director of Schools to participate in the Tennessee Leadership Institute for Exemplary Superintendent Training through the East Tennessee State University/Bell South Foundation during the 1994-1995 school year; and

WHEREAS, throughout his illustrious career, Mr. Reed has enjoyed the support of his loving wife, Sharon, and their marriage has been blessed with two wonderful daughters, Pamela Reed Philpot and Laura Reed Greene; and

WHEREAS, Mike Reed epitomizes the commitment and spirit that are characteristic of all true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, for the above accomplishments, his impeccable moral standards, and impressive work ethic, Mr. Reed has been selected for induction into the TSSAA Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Mike Reed, a man of true character and commitment, exemplifies the type of selfless community servant and civic leader whom fellow Tennesseans admire for their

tireless efforts in molding the State's youth, guiding them with solid principles and high standards both on the athletic fields and in the classroom; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and honor Mike Reed upon his induction into the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Hall of Fame, commend his service to the youth of this great State, and wish him every success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.